GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SURFACE TRANSPORT
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PRIVATISATION OF PORTS
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Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to privatise ports in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT
(DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN)
(a)&(b): The Major Port Trusts have been opened to the Private Sector Participation and the following areas have been identified :-

(i) Leasing out existing assets of the Port.

(ii) Construction/creation of additional assets such as container terminals, multipurpose cargo berths and specialised cargo berths, warehousing, storage facilities, tank farms, container freight stations, setting up of captive power plants, etc.

(iii)Leasing of equipment for port handling and leasing of floating crafts from the private sector.

(iv) Pilotage

(v) Captive facilities for port based industries.